

## EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### A 6-MONTH PERIODIC REPORT ON THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO SIGNIFICANT NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS CENTERED IN COLOMBIA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 102

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### *To the Congress of the United States:*

As required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), I transmit herewith a 6-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia that was declared in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 2, 2000.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:55 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3439. An act to require the Federal Communications Commission to revise its regulations authorizing the operation of new, low-power FM radio stations.

H.R. 3615. An act to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to ensure improved access to the signals of local television stations by multichannel video providers to all households which desire such service in unserved and underserved rural areas by December 31, 2006.

H.R. 4199. An act to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

#### MEASURE REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4199. An act to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Finance.

#### MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 3615. An act to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to ensure improved ac-

cess to the signals of local television stations by multichannel video providers to all households which desire such service in unserved and underserved rural areas by December 31, 2006.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-8711. A communication from the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "BLS-LIFO Department Store Indexes—March 2000" (Rev. Rul. 2000-25), received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8712. A communication from the Office of the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Health Care Programs; Fraud and Abuse; Statutory Exception to the Anti-Kickback Statute for Shared Risk Arrangements" (RIN0991-AA91), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8713. A communication from the Office of the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification of the Safe Harbor Provisions and Establishment of Additional Safe Harbor Provisions Under the Anti-Kickback Statute" (RIN0991-AA46), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8714. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Analysis of the Impact on Welfare Recidivism of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 Child Support Arrears Distribution Policy Changes"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8715. A communication from the Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System for Hospital Outpatient Services" (RIN0938-A156), received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8716. A communication from the Employment Standards Administration, Office of Labor-Management Standards, Department of Labor transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Labor Organization Annual Financial Reports; Correction" (RIN1215-AB29), received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8717. A communication from the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Third Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Administrative Simplification Provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8718. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act of 1978, a report on efforts to prevent nuclear proliferation for the period of January 1, 1998 and December 31, 1998; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8719. A communication from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Draft Operations Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Stabilization, Selective Recov-

ery and Archaeological Investigation of the USS Monitor"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8720. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the extent to which Coast Guard regulations concerning oils, including animal fats and vegetable oils, carry out the intent of the Edible Oil Regulatory Reform Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8721. A communication from the Administrative Office of the United States Courts transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for calendar year 1999; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8722. A communication from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations; 64 FR 1523; 01/11/99", received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8723. A communication from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations; 64 FR 53936; 10/05/99" (FEMA Docket No. 7297), received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8724. A communication from the Division of Corporate Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Electronic Media" (RIN3235-AG84), received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8725. A communication from the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Transactions Regulations: Licensing of Imports of, and Dealings in, Certain Iranian-Origin Foodstuffs and Carpets" (31 CFR Part 560), received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8726. A communication from the Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Custody of Investment Company Assets Outside of the United States" (RIN3235-AH55), received April 28, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8727. A communication from the Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Program; Conforming Changes" (RIN3003-ZA00), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8728. A communication from the Emergency Steel Guaranteed Loan Board transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Steel Guaranteed Loan Board; Conforming Changes" (RIN3003-ZA00), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8729. A communication from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance; 64 FR 20090; 04/14/2000" (FEMA Docket No. 7730), received April 27, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8730. A communication from the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Accrual Method Exception for Qualifying Small Taxpayers" (Rev. Proc. 2000-22), received April 26, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.